

JAVA.LANG.CHARACTER CLASS

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Introduction

The **java.lang.Character** class wraps a value of the primitive type `char` in an object. An object of type `Character` contains a single field whose type is `char`.

Class declaration

Following is the declaration for **java.lang.Character** class:

```
public final class Character
    extends Object
    implements Serializable, Comparable<Character>
```

Field

Following are the fields for **java.lang.Character** class:

- **static byte COMBINING_SPACING_MARK** -- This is the General category "Mc" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte CONNECTOR_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Pc" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte CONTROL** -- This is the General category "Cc" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte CURRENCY_SYMBOL** -- This is the General category "Sc" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DASH_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Pd" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DECIMAL_DIGIT_NUMBER** -- This is the General category "Nd" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_ARABIC_NUMBER** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "AN" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_BOUNDARY_NEUTRAL** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "BN" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_COMMON_NUMBER_SEPARATOR** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "CS" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_EUROPEAN_NUMBER** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "EN" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_EUROPEAN_NUMBER_SEPARATOR** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "ES" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_EUROPEAN_NUMBER_TERMINATOR** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "ET" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_LEFT_TO_RIGHT** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "L" in the Unicode specification.

- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_LEFT_TO_RIGHT_EMBEDDING** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "LRE" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_LEFT_TO_RIGHT_OVERRIDE** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "LRO" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_NONSPACING_MARK** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "NSM" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_OTHER_NEUTRALS** -- This is the Neutral bidirectional character type "ON" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_PARAGRAPH_SEPARATOR** -- This is the Neutral bidirectional character type "B" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_POP_DIRECTIONAL_FORMAT** -- This is the Weak bidirectional character type "PDF" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_RIGHT_TO_LEFT** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "R" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_RIGHT_TO_LEFT_ARABIC** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "AL" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_RIGHT_TO_LEFT_EMBEDDING** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "RLE" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_RIGHT_TO_LEFT_OVERRIDE** -- This is the Strong bidirectional character type "RLO" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_SEGMENT_SEPARATOR** -- This is the Neutral bidirectional character type "S" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_UNDEFINED** -- This is the Undefined bidirectional character type.
- **static byte DIRECTIONALITY_WHITESPACE** -- This is the Neutral bidirectional character type "WS" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte ENCLOSING_MARK** -- This is the General category "Me" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte END_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Pe" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte FINAL_QUOTE_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Pf" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte FORMAT** -- This is the General category "Cf" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte INITIAL_QUOTE_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Pi" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte LETTER_NUMBER** -- This is the General category "NI" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte LINE_SEPARATOR** -- This is the General category "Zl" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte LOWERCASE_LETTER** -- This is the General category "Ll" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte MATH_SYMBOL** -- This is the General category "Sm" in the Unicode specification.

- **static int MAX_CODE_POINT** -- This is the maximum value of a Unicode code point.
- **static char MAX_HIGH_SURROGATE** -- This is the maximum value of a Unicode high-surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static char MAX_LOW_SURROGATE** -- This is the maximum value of a Unicode low-surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static int MAX_RADIX** -- This is the maximum radix available for conversion to and from strings.
- **static char MAX_SURROGATE** -- This is the maximum value of a Unicode surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static char MAX_VALUE** -- This is the constant value of this field is the largest value of type char, '\uFFFF'.
- **static int MIN_CODE_POINT** -- This is the minimum value of a Unicode code point
- **static char MIN_HIGH_SURROGATE** -- This is the minimum value of a Unicode high-surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static char MIN_LOW_SURROGATE** -- This is the minimum value of a Unicode low-surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static int MIN_RADIX** -- This is the minimum radix available for conversion to and from strings.
- **static int MIN_SUPPLEMENTARY_CODE_POINT** -- This is the minimum value of a supplementary code point.
- **static char MIN_SURROGATE** -- This is the minimum value of a Unicode surrogate code unit in the UTF-16 encoding.
- **static char MIN_VALUE** -- This is the constant value of this field is the smallest value of type char, '\u0000'.
- **static byte MODIFIER_LETTER** -- This is the General category "Lm" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte MODIFIER_SYMBOL** -- This is the General category "Sk" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte NON_SPACING_MARK** -- This is the General category "Mn" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte OTHER_LETTER** -- This is the General category "Lo" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte OTHER_NUMBER** -- This is the General category "No" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte OTHER_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Po" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte OTHER_SYMBOL** -- This is the General category "So" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte PARAGRAPH_SEPARATOR** -- This is the General category "Zp" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte PRIVATE_USE** -- This is the General category "Co" in the Unicode specification.
- **static int SIZE** -- This is the number of bits used to represent a char value in unsigned binary form.
- **static byte SPACE_SEPARATOR** -- This is the General category "Zs" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte START_PUNCTUATION** -- This is the General category "Ps" in the Unicode specification.

- **static byte SURROGATE** -- This is the General category "Cs" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte TITLECASE_LETTER** -- This is the General category "Lt" in the Unicode specification.
- **static Class<Character> TYPE** -- This is the Class instance representing the primitive type char.
- **static byte UNASSIGNED** -- This is the General category "Cn" in the Unicode specification.
- **static byte UPPERCASE_LETTER** -- This is the General category "Lu" in the Unicode specification.

Class constructors

S.N.	Constructor & Description
1	Character(char value) This constructs a newly allocated Character object that represents the specified char value.

Class methods

S.N.	Method & Description
1	<u>static int charCount(int codePoint)</u> This method determines the number of char values needed to represent the specified character (Unicode code point).
2	<u>char charValue()</u> This method returns the value of this Character object.
3	<u>static int codePointAt(char[] a, int index)</u> This method returns the code point at the given index of the char array.
4	<u>static int codePointAt(char[] a, int index, int limit)</u> This method returns the code point at the given index of the char array, where only array elements with index less than limit can be used.
5	<u>static int codePointAt(CharSequence seq, int index)</u> This method returns the code point at the given index of the CharSequence.
6	<u>static int codePointBefore(char[] a, int index)</u> This method returns the code point preceding the given index of the char array.
7	<u>static int codePointBefore(char[] a, int index, int start)</u> This method returns the code point preceding the given index of the char array, where only array elements with index greater than or equal to start can be used.
8	<u>static int codePointBefore(CharSequence seq, int index)</u> This method returns the code point preceding the given index of the CharSequence.
9	<u>static int codePointCount(char[] a, int offset, int count)</u> This method returns the number of Unicode code points in a subarray of the char array argument
10	<u>static int codePointCount(CharSequence seq, int beginIndex, int endIndex)</u> This method returns the number of Unicode code points in the text range of the specified char sequence.

11	<u>int compareTo(Character anotherCharacter)</u> This method compares two Character objects numerically.
12	<u>static int digit(char ch, int radix)</u> This method returns the numeric value of the character ch in the specified radix.
13	<u>static int digit(int codePoint, int radix)</u> This method returns the numeric value of the specified character (Unicode code point) in the specified radix.
14	<u>boolean equals(Object obj)</u> This method compares this object against the specified object
15	<u>static char forDigit(int digit, int radix)</u> This method determines the character representation for a specific digit in the specified radix.
16	<u>static byte getDirectionality(char ch)</u> This method returns the Unicode directionality property for the given character.
17	<u>static byte getDirectionality(int codePoint)</u> This method returns the Unicode directionality property for the given character (Unicode code point).
18	<u>static int getNumericValue(char ch)</u> This method returns the int value that the specified Unicode character represents.
19	<u>static int getNumericValue(int codePoint)</u> This method returns the int value that the specified character (Unicode code point) represents.
20	<u>static int getType(char ch)</u> This method returns a value indicating a character's general category.
21	<u>static int getType(int codePoint)</u> This method returns a value indicating a character's general category.
22	<u>int hashCode()</u> This method returns a hash code for this Character.
23	<u>static boolean isDefined(char ch)</u> This method determines if a character is defined in Unicode.
24	<u>static boolean isDefined(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if a character (Unicode code point) is defined in Unicode.
25	<u>static boolean isDigit(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a digit.
26	<u>static boolean isDigit(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a digit.
27	<u>static boolean isHighSurrogate(char ch)</u> This method determines if the given char value is a high-surrogate code unit (also known as leading-surrogate code unit).
28	<u>static boolean isIdentifierIgnorable(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character should be regarded as an ignorable character in a Java identifier or a Unicode identifier.
29	<u>static boolean isIdentifierIgnorable(int codePoint)</u>

	This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) should be regarded as an ignorable character in a Java identifier or a Unicode identifier.
30	<u>static boolean isISOControl(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is an ISO control character.
31	<u>static boolean isISOControl(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the referenced character (Unicode code point) is an ISO control character.
32	<u>static boolean isJavaIdentifierPart(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character may be part of a Java identifier as other than the first character.
33	<u>static boolean isJavaIdentifierPart(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the character (Unicode code point) may be part of a Java identifier as other than the first character.
34	<u>static boolean isJavaIdentifierStart(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is permissible as the first character in a Java identifier.
35	<u>static boolean isJavaIdentifierStart(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the character (Unicode code point) is permissible as the first character in a Java identifier.
36	<u>static boolean isLetter(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a letter.
37	<u>static boolean isLetter(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a letter.
38	<u>static boolean isLetterOrDigit(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a letter or digit.
39	<u>static boolean isLetterOrDigit(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a letter or digit.
40	<u>static boolean isLowerCase(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a lowercase character.
41	<u>static boolean isLowerCase(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a lowercase character.
42	<u>static boolean isLowSurrogate(char ch)</u> This method determines if the given char value is a low-surrogate code unit (also known as trailing-surrogate code unit).
43	<u>static boolean isMirrored(char ch)</u> This method determines whether the character is mirrored according to the Unicode specification.
44	<u>static boolean isMirrored(int codePoint)</u> This method determines whether the specified character (Unicode code point) is mirrored according to the Unicode specification.
45	<u>static boolean isSpaceChar(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a Unicode space character.
46	<u>static boolean isSpaceChar(int codePoint)</u>

	This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a Unicode space character.
47	<u>static boolean isSupplementaryCodePoint(int codePoint)</u> This method determines whether the specified character (Unicode code point) is in the supplementary character range.
48	<u>static boolean isSurrogatePair(char high, char low)</u> This method determines whether the specified pair of char values is a valid surrogate pair.
49	<u>static boolean isTitleCase(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is a titlecase character.
50	<u>static boolean isTitleCase(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is a titlecase character.
51	<u>static boolean isUnicodeIdentifierPart(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character may be part of a Unicode identifier as other than the first character.
52	<u>static boolean isUnicodeIdentifierPart(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) may be part of a Unicode identifier as other than the first character.
53	<u>static boolean isUnicodeIdentifierStart(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is permissible as the first character in a Unicode identifier.
54	<u>static boolean isUnicodeIdentifierStart(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is permissible as the first character in a Unicode identifier.
55	<u>static boolean isUpperCase(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is an uppercase character.
56	<u>static boolean isUpperCase(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is an uppercase character.
57	<u>static boolean isValidCodePoint(int codePoint)</u> This method determines whether the specified code point is a valid Unicode code point value in the range of 0x0000 to 0x10FFFF inclusive.
58	<u>static boolean isWhitespace(char ch)</u> This method determines if the specified character is white space according to Java.
59	<u>static boolean isWhitespace(int codePoint)</u> This method determines if the specified character (Unicode code point) is white space according to Java.
60	<u>static int offsetByCodePoints(char[] a, int start, int count, int index, int codePointOffset)</u> This method returns the index within the given char subarray that is offset from the given index by codePointOffset code points
61	<u>static int offsetByCodePoints(CharSequence seq, int index, int codePointOffset)</u> This method returns the index within the given char sequence that is offset from the given index by codePointOffset code points.
62	<u>static char reverseBytes(char ch)</u> This method returns the value obtained by reversing the order of the bytes in the specified char value.

63	<u>static char[] toChars(int codePoint)</u> This method converts the specified character (Unicode code point) to its UTF-16 representation stored in a char array.
64	<u>static int toChars(int codePoint, char[] dst, int dstIndex)</u> This method converts the specified character (Unicode code point) to its UTF-16 representation.
65	<u>static int toCodePoint(char high, char low)</u> This method converts the specified surrogate pair to its supplementary code point value.
66	<u>static char toLowerCase(char ch)</u> This method converts the character argument to lowercase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
67	<u>static int toLowerCase(int codePoint)</u> This method converts the character (Unicode code point) argument to lowercase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
68	<u>String toString()</u> This method returns a String object representing this Character's value.
69	<u>static String toString(char c)</u> This method returns a String object representing the specified char.
70	<u>static char toTitleCase(char ch)</u> This method converts the character argument to titlecase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
71	<u>static int toTitleCase(int codePoint)</u> This method converts the character (Unicode code point) argument to titlecase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
72	<u>static char toUpperCase(char ch)</u> This method converts the character argument to uppercase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
73	<u>static int toUpperCase(int codePoint)</u> This method converts the character (Unicode code point) argument to uppercase using case mapping information from the UnicodeData file.
74	<u>static Character valueOf(char c)</u> This method returns a Character instance representing the specified char value.

Methods inherited

This class inherits methods from the following classes:

- java.lang.Object